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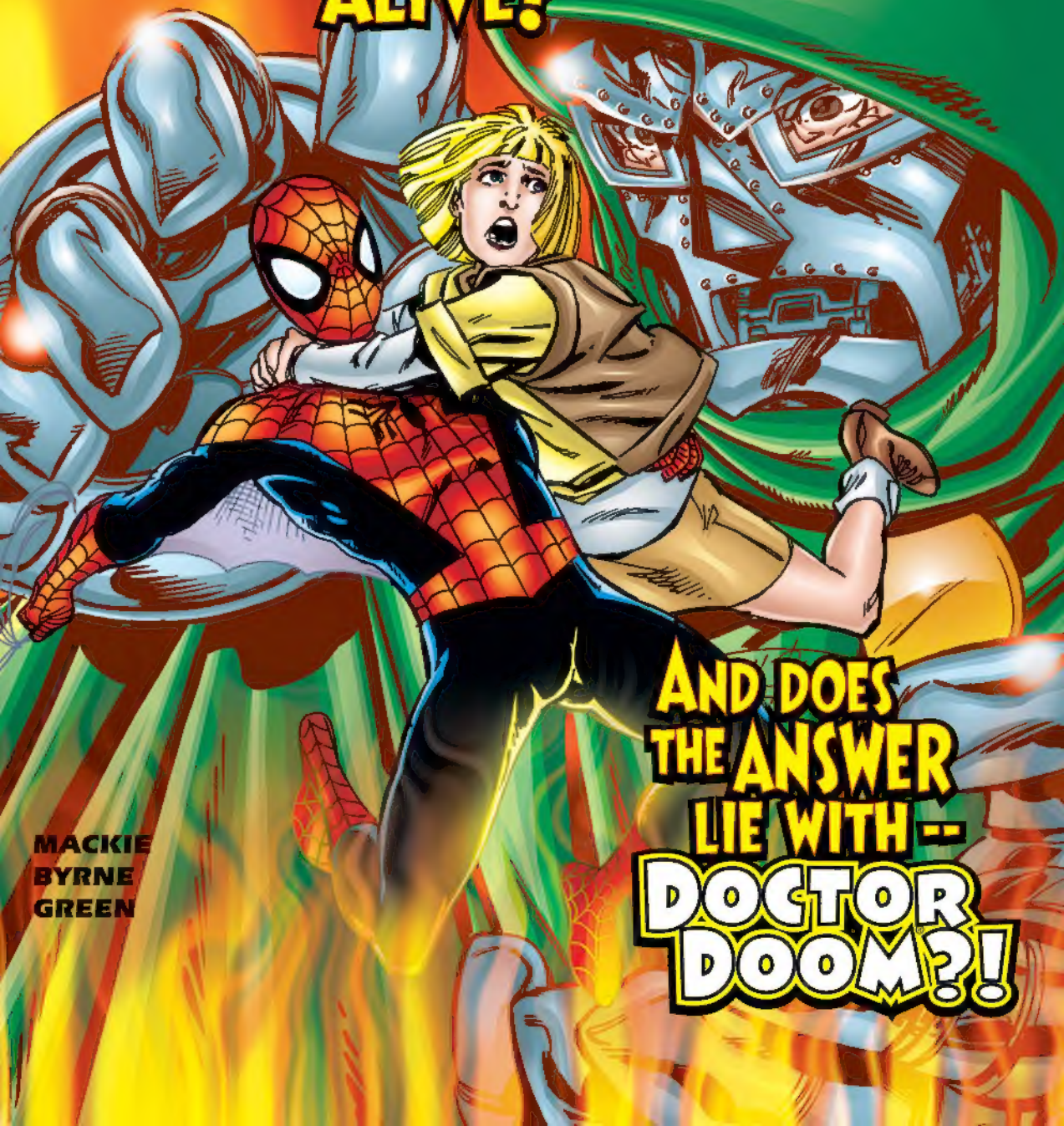
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THE AMAZING

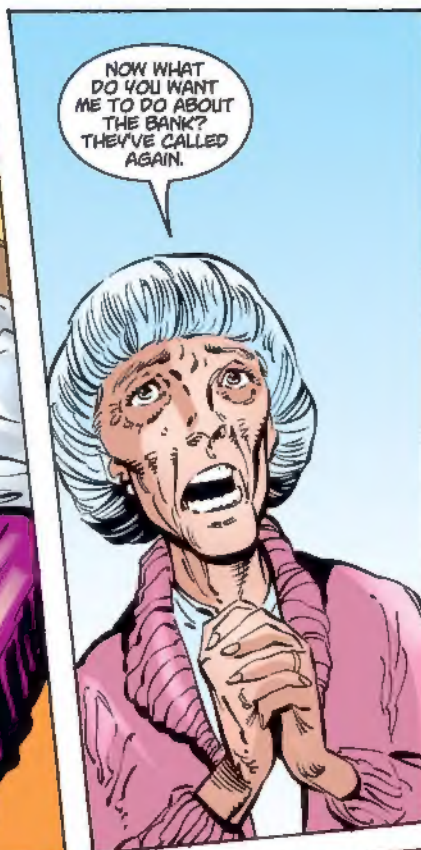
SPIDER-MAN

**IS MARY JANE
ALIVE?**



**MACKIE
BYRNE
GREEN**

**AND DOES
THE ANSWER
LIE WITH --
DOCTOR
DOOM?!**



LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE ARE NOW MAKING OUR FINAL APPROACH TO LATVERIAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. PLEASE REMAIN SEATED, CHECK YOUR SEAT RESTRAINTS AND PLACE YOUR SEAT IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION.

WHAT...

...WAS...
...I...

...THINKING?

IT'S COLD STOWING AWAY IN THE BELLY OF A JUMBO JET!

THE ONLY REASON I DIDN'T FREEZE TO DEATH IS THAT I WAS ABLE TO USE MY WEBBING TO CREATE A COCOON FOR MYSELF.

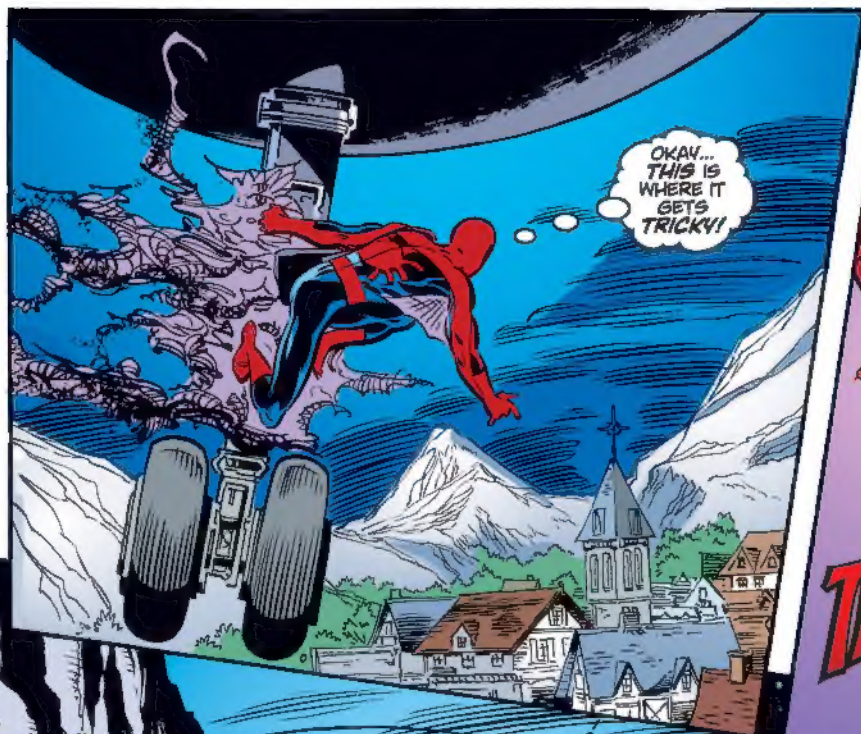
NEXT TIME I GO ONLINE, I'M SURE I COULD'VE FOUND A FLIGHT I COULD AFFORD!

WE'RE ALL DOOMED... AGAIN!

AT A DEMONSTRATION ON RADIATION, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT PETER PARKER WAS BITTEN BY AN IRRADIATED SPIDER FROM WHICH HE GAINED THE ARACHNID'S INCREDIBLE ABILITIES. WHEN A BURGLAR KILLED HIS BELOVED UNCLE BEN, A GRIEF-STRIKEN PETER VOWED TO USE HIS GREAT POWERS IN THE SERVICE OF HIS FELLOW MAN, BECAUSE HE LEARNED AN INVALUABLE LESSON: WITH GREAT POWER MUST ALSO COME GREAT RESPONSIBILITY.

STAN LEE PRESENTS
THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN
IN:

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OKAY...
THIS IS
WHERE IT
GETS
TRICKY!

DON'T REALLY
WANT TO BOTHER
TRYING TO GET
THROUGH LATVERIAN
CUSTOMS, SO...

THWIP

... TIME
FOR A LITTLE
MORE IMPROVISATION
OF THE SPIDER
KIND!
LATVERIA?!

THIS
IS THE LAST
PLACE I WOULD
HAVE THOUGHT MARY
JANE WOULD BE
HEADING TO
FOR A PHOTO
SHOOT.





THEN AGAIN... I GUESS IT IS A BEAUTIFUL AND PICTURESQUE LITTLE COUNTRY.

EXACTLY THE KIND OF PLACE YOU'D EXPECT A MAGAZINE TO SEND A SUPERMODEL!

AND I WOULDN'T PUT IT BEYOND A WORLD CLASS SUPER-VILLAIN LIKE DOCTOR VICTOR VON DOOM, TO FAKE THE DEATH OF HUNDREDS IN ORDER TO GET HIS HANDS ON A BABE LIKE MJ!

STILL... I CAN'T BELIEVE I MISHEARD HER WHEN SHE TOLD ME...



PETER! I'VE GOT A MODELING SIG IN LATVERIA.



LATVIA - COOL!

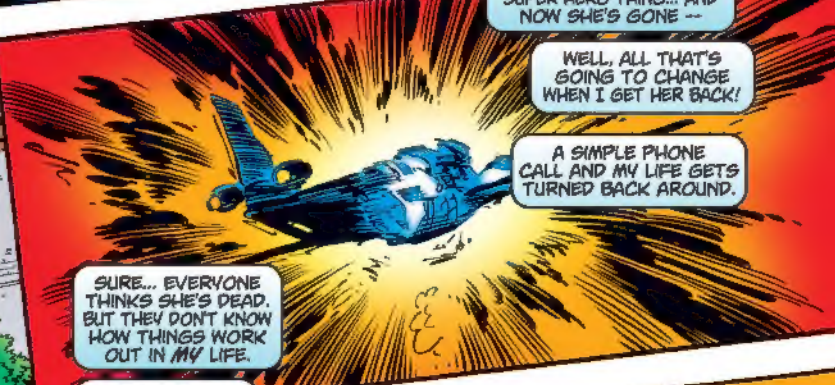
BRING ME BACK SOME CHEESE!

THAT'S THE STORY OF OUR RELATIONSHIP.

I NEVER REALLY PAID ENOUGH ATTENTION... TOO WRAPPED UP IN THE SUPER HERO THING... AND NOW SHE'S GONE --

WELL, ALL THAT'S GOING TO CHANGE WHEN I GET HER BACK!

A SIMPLE PHONE CALL AND MY LIFE GETS TURNED BACK AROUND.

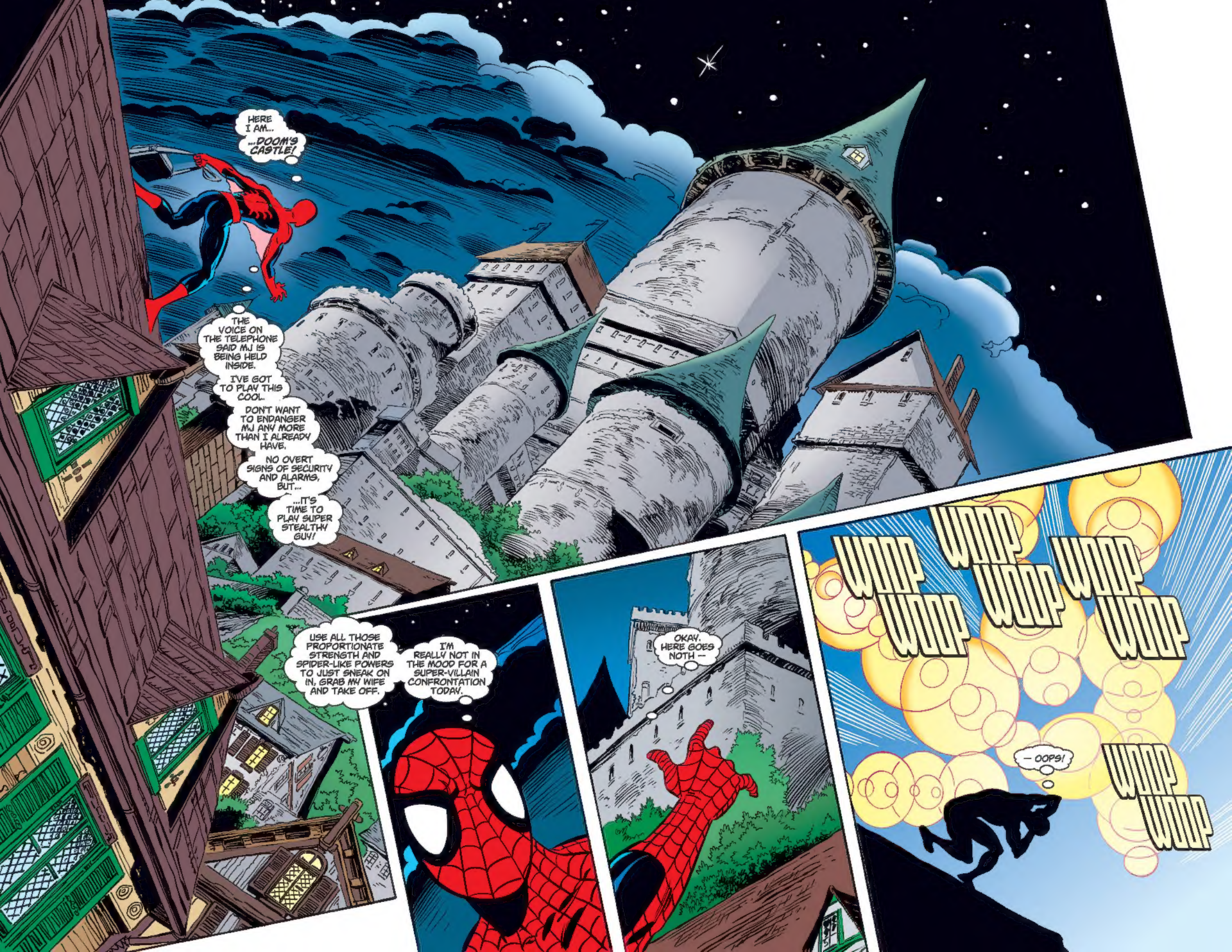


SURE... EVERYONE THINKS SHE'S DEAD. BUT THEY DON'T KNOW HOW THINGS WORK OUT IN MY LIFE.

NOTHING IS EVER WHAT IT SEEMS.

AND, LIKE I TOLD AUNT MAY, NO ONE EVER STAYS DEAD FOREVER IN THE CONTINUING SOAP OPERA OF MY EXISTENCE.





HERE
I AM...
...DOOM'S
CASTLE!

THE
VOICE ON
THE TELEPHONE
SAID MJ IS
BEING HELD
INSIDE.
I'VE GOT
TO PLAY THIS
COOL.

DON'T WANT
TO ENDANGER
MJ ANY MORE
THAN I ALREADY
HAVE.

NO OVERT
SIGNS OF SECURITY
AND ALARMS,
BUT...

...IT'S
TIME TO
PLAY SUPER
STEALTHY
GUY!

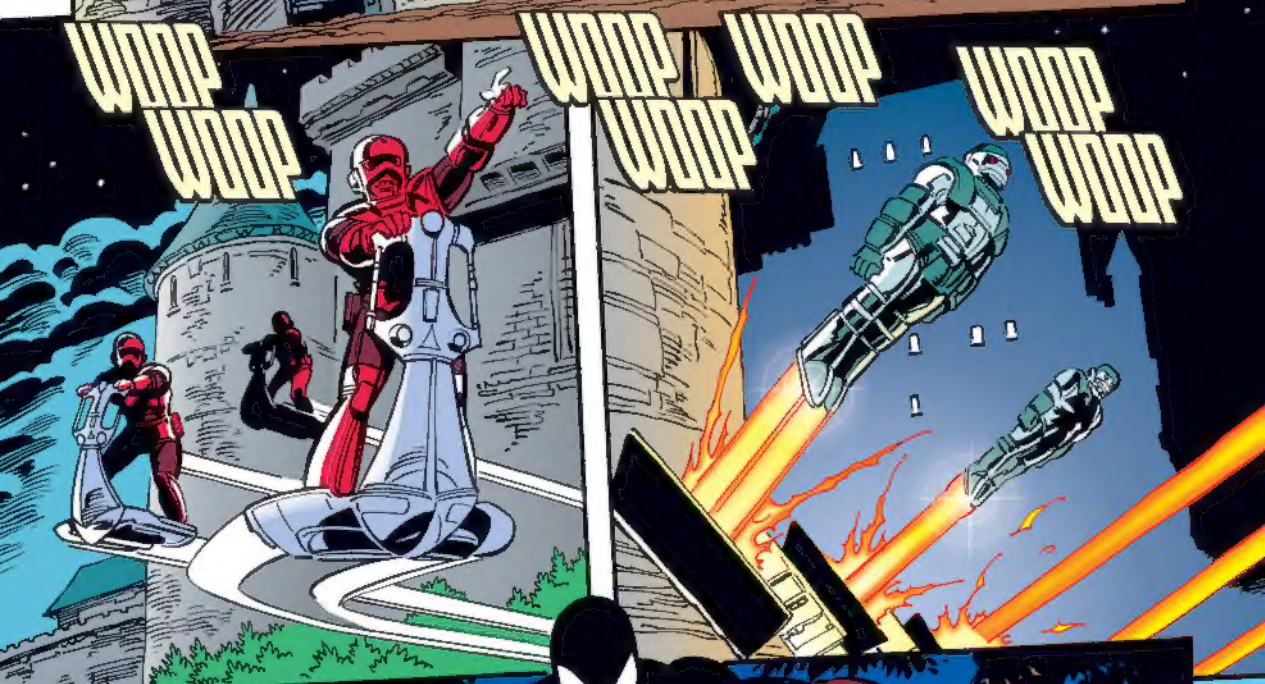
USE ALL THOSE
PROPORTIONATE
STRENGTH AND
SPIDER-LIKE POWERS
TO JUST SNEAK
ON IN, GRAB MY WIFE
AND TAKE OFF.

I'M
REALLY NOT IN
THE MOOD FOR A
SUPER-VILLAIN
CONFRONTATION
TODAY.

OKAY.
HERE GOES
NOTH—

— OOPS!

WOOP WOOP WOOP WOOP
WOOP WOOP WOOP WOOP
WOOP WOOP



OH, COME ON!
ALL I DID WAS
THINK ABOUT
BREAKING
IN.

I KNEW
DOOM WAS
SOME SORT
OF A GENIUS,
BUT...

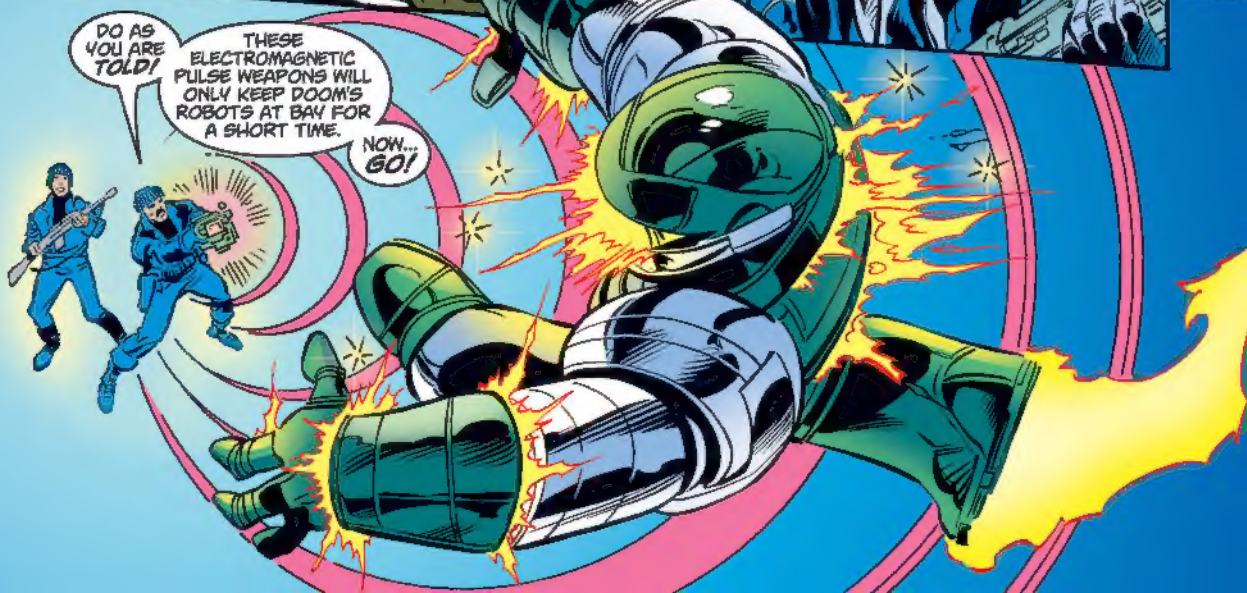
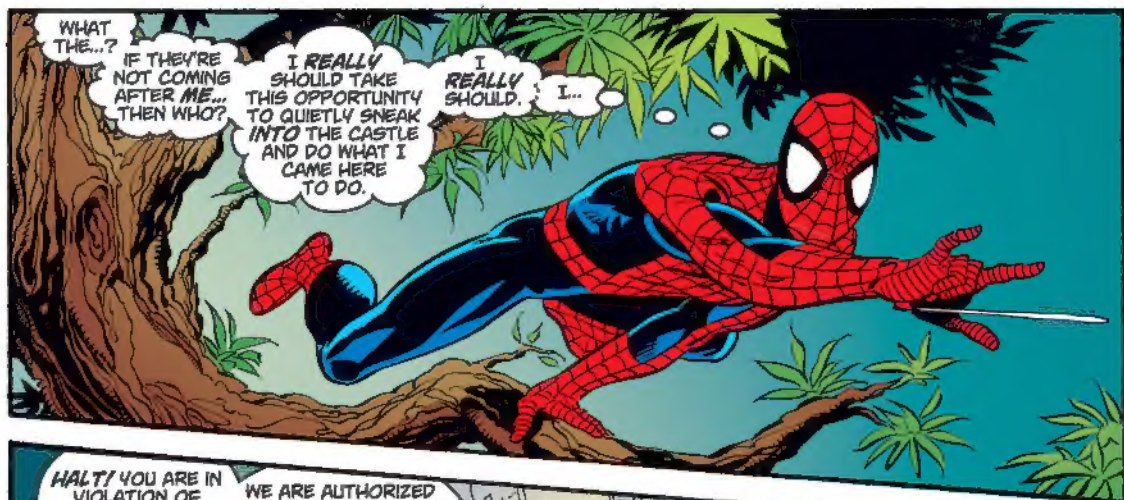
...HE CAN'T
BE THAT
GOOD!

SENDING
THE WHOLE
ARMY, EH?

I'LL TAKE
ON THEM AND
ANYTHING ELSE
HE WANTS TO
SEND AGAINST
ME.

I'LL TAKE
ON DOOM
HIMSELF TO
GET MARY
JANE...

...BACK?





PAPA!

FRZZTKOOM

I COULD JUST SNEAK RIGHT IN THROUGH THE BACK DOOR.

NO ONE WOULD EVER BE THE WISER. IN. OUT. GONE.

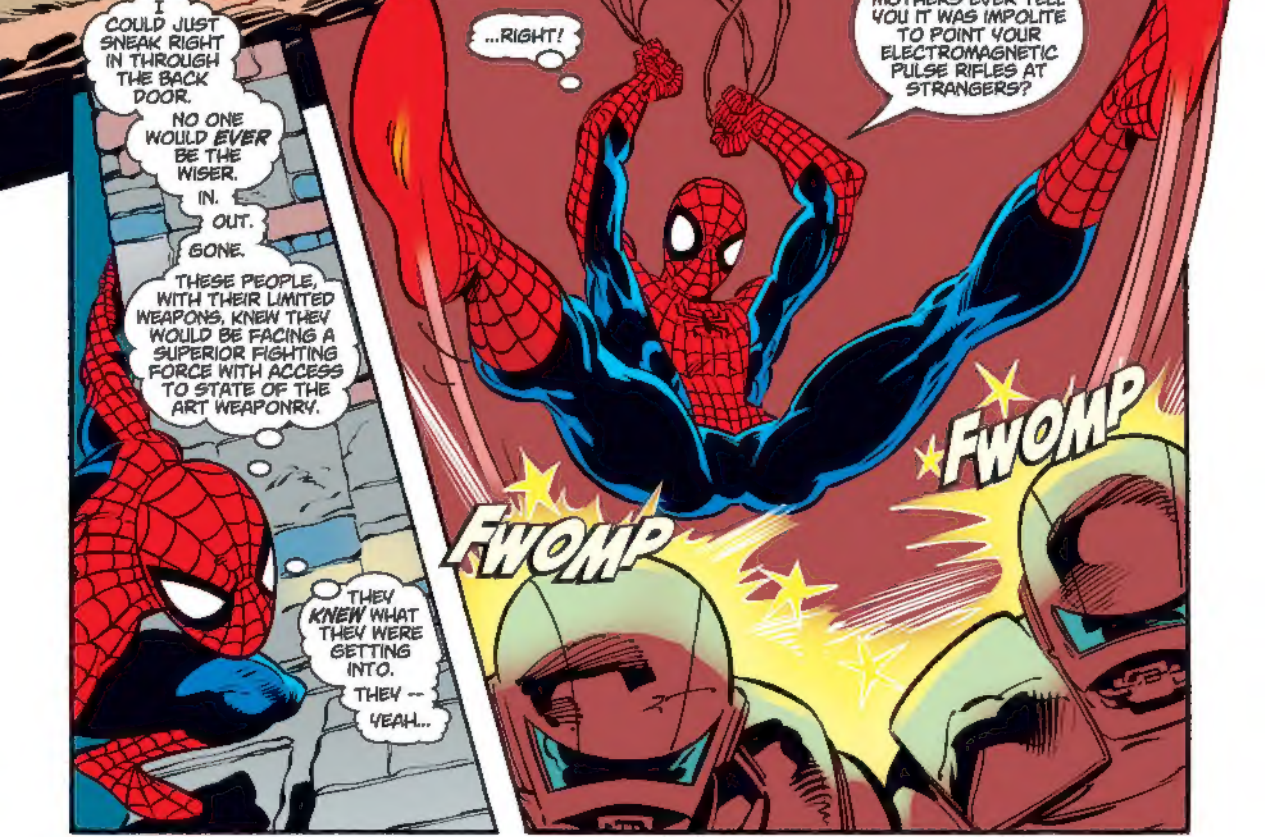
THESE PEOPLE, WITH THEIR LIMITED WEAPONS, KNEW THEY WOULD BE FACING A SUPERIOR FIGHTING FORCE WITH ACCESS TO STATE OF THE ART WEAPONRY.

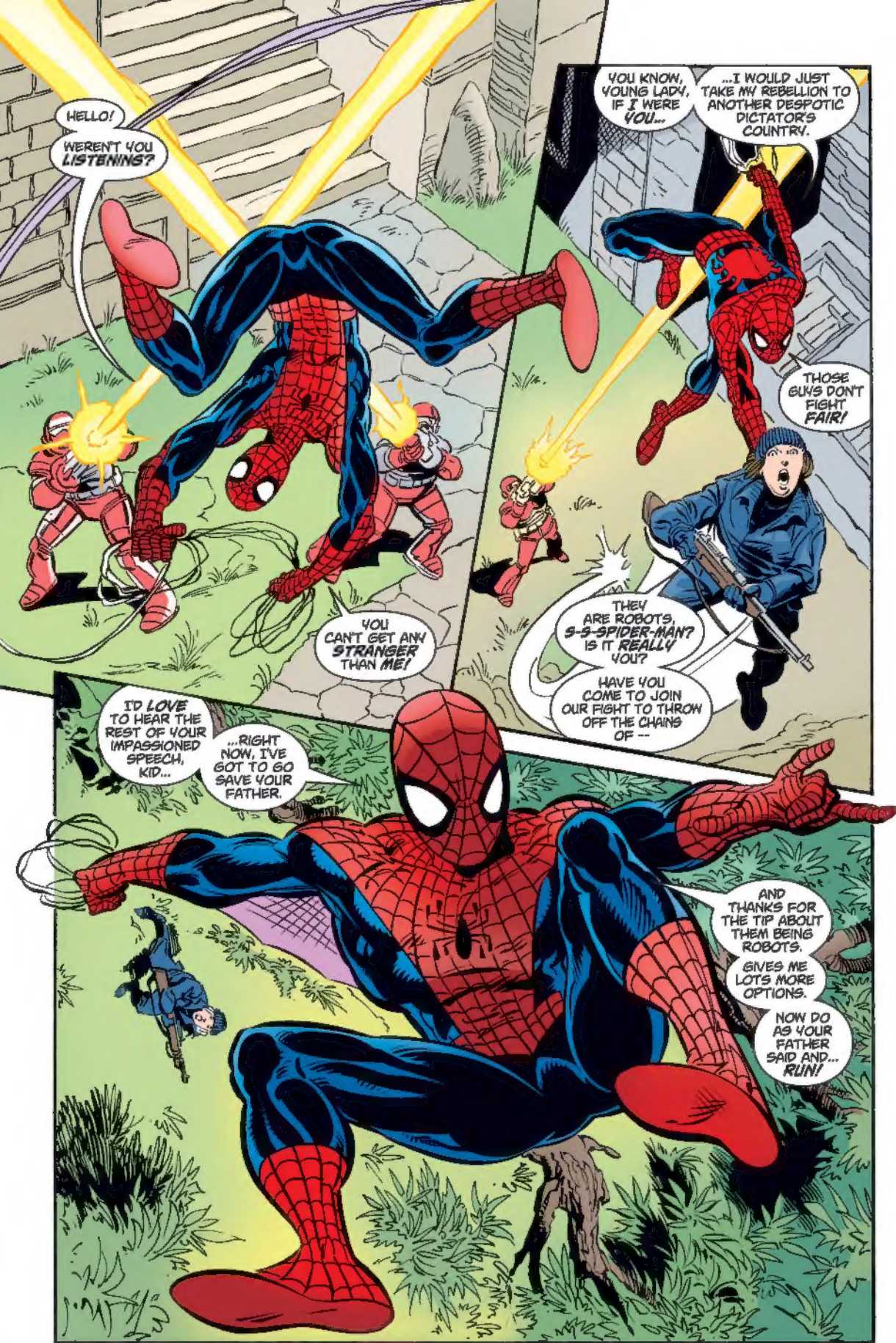
THEY KNEW WHAT THEY WERE GETTING INTO. THEY -- YEAH...

...RIGHT!

DIDN'T YOUR ANDROID MOTHERS EVER TELL YOU IT WAS IMPOLITE TO POINT YOUR ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSE RIFLES AT STRANGERS?

FWOMP FWOMP





HELLO!
WERENT YOU LISTENING?

YOU KNOW, YOUNG LADY, IF I WERE YOU...

...I WOULD JUST TAKE MY REBELLION TO ANOTHER DESPOTIC DICTATOR'S COUNTRY.

THOSE GUYS DONT FIGHT FAIR!

YOU CANT GET ANY STRANGER THAN ME!

THEY ARE ROBOTS, S-S-SPIDER-MAN? IS IT REALLY YOU?

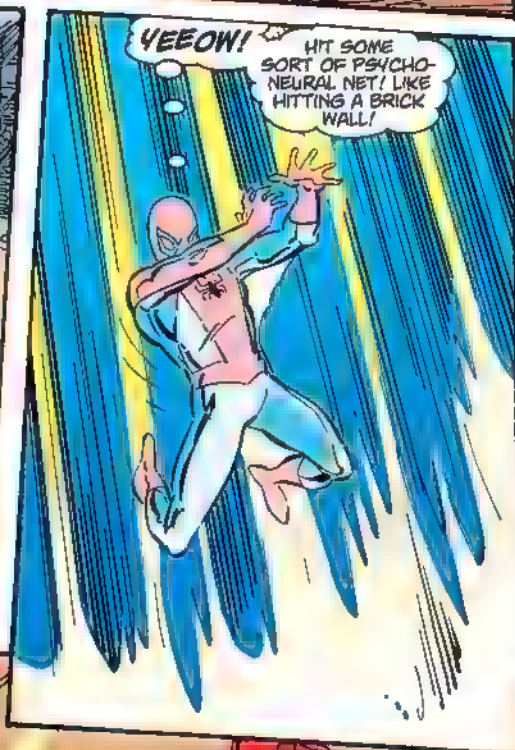
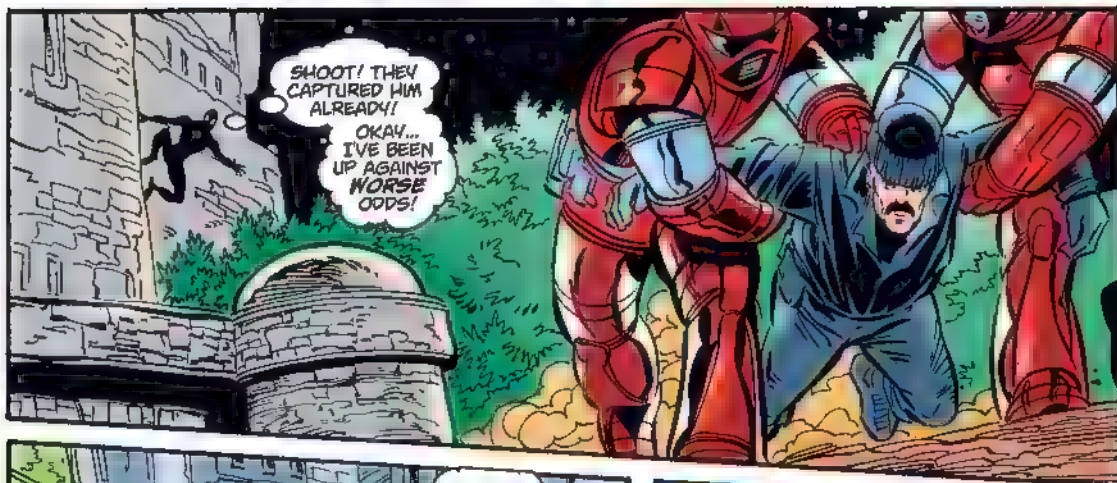
HAVE YOU COME TO JOIN OUR FIGHT TO THROW OFF THE CHAINS OF --

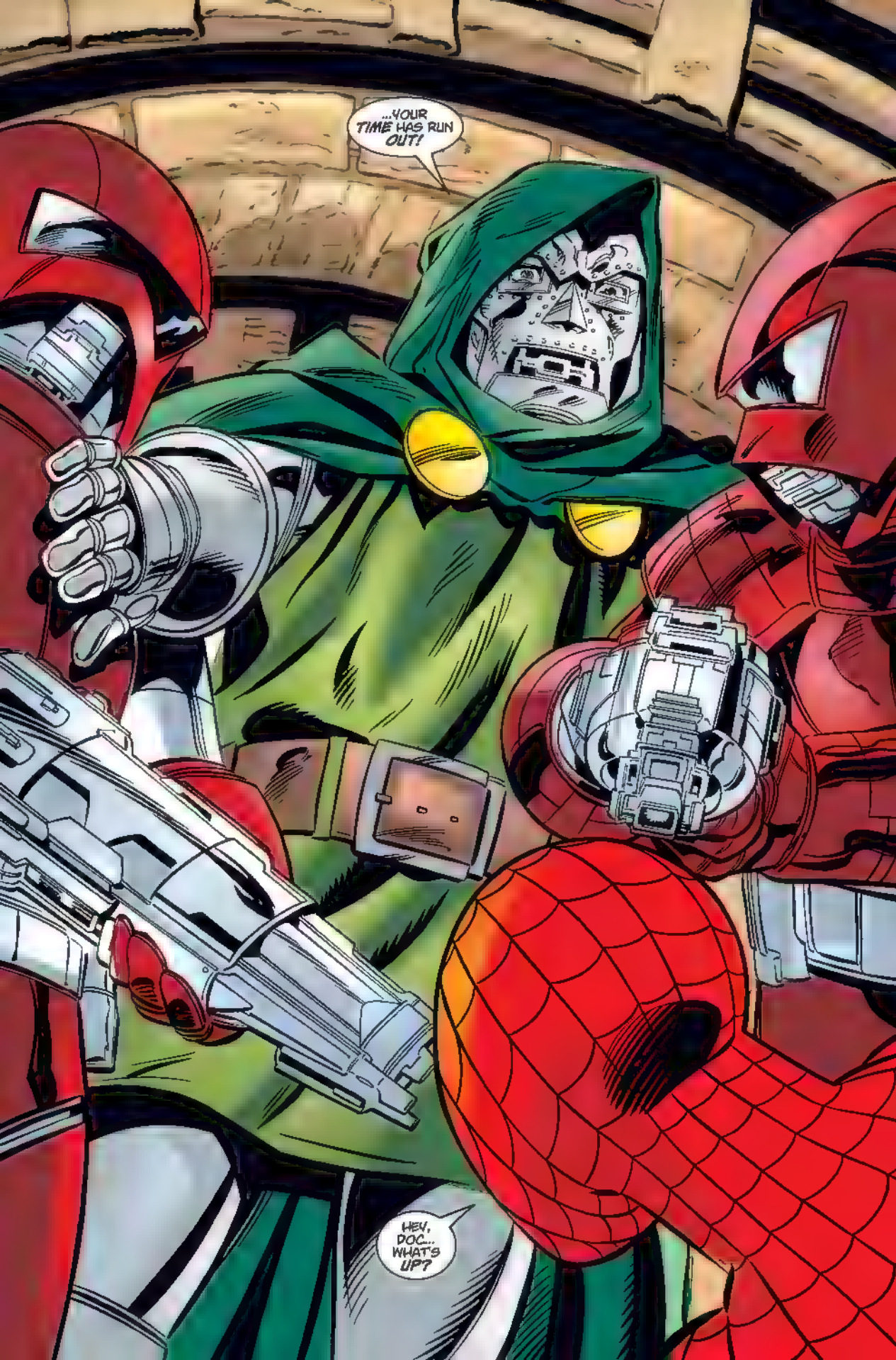
I'D LOVE TO HEAR THE REST OF YOUR IMPASSIONED SPEECH, KID...

...RIGHT NOW, I'VE GOT TO GO SAVE YOUR FATHER.

AND THANKS FOR THE TIP ABOUT THEM BEING ROBOTS. GIVES ME LOTS MORE OPTIONS.

NOW DO AS YOUR FATHER SAID AND... RUN!





...YOUR
TIME HAS RUN
OUT!

HEY,
DOC...
WHAT'S
UP?



DON'T
FEEL MUCH LIKE
CHATTING?

OKAY!
I'LL JUST
TAKE OFF...
LEAVE YOUR
LOVELY COUNTRY...
NEVER TO
COME BACK
AGAIN!

YOU
WON'T CATCH
ME LURKING
AROUND THE
CASTLE AT ALL
HOURS OF THE
NIGHT!

NO, SIR!
I DON'T CARE
WHO YOU'VE
GOT HIDDEN
IN THERE.

I AM
OUTTA
HERE!

I THINK
I SOUNDED
PRETTY
CONVINCING!

HMM?
MAYBE THAT
PSYCHO-NEURAL
NET SCRAMBLED
A FEW BRAIN
CELLS.

THIS IS
NOT THE
SUBTLE ENTRANCE
INTO LATVERIAN
SOCIETY I WAS
PLANNING.



NOW DOOM
KNOWS I'M HERE...
HE'S GOING TO HAVE
THE STORM TROOPERS
ON THE LOOKOUT
FOR ME, AND...

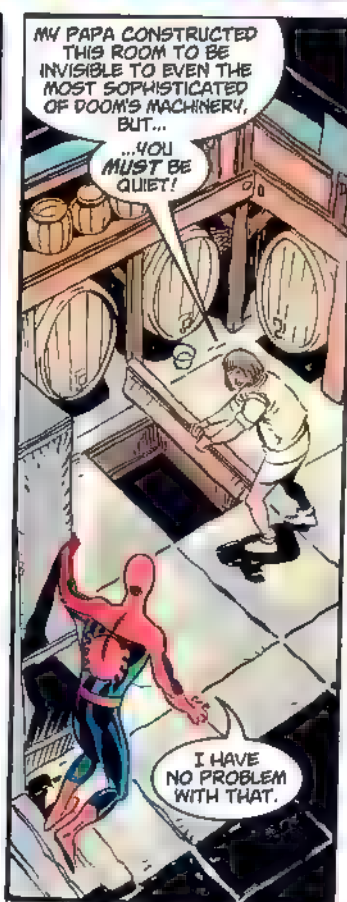
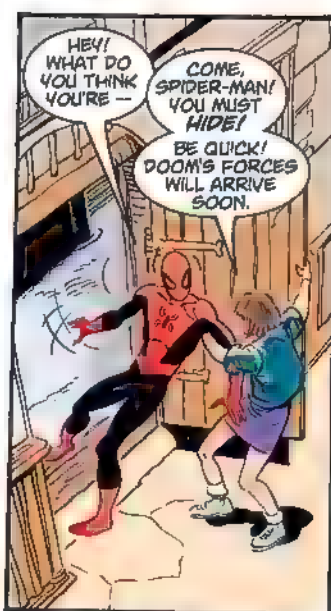
...THEY'RE
STILL FIRING
AT ME!

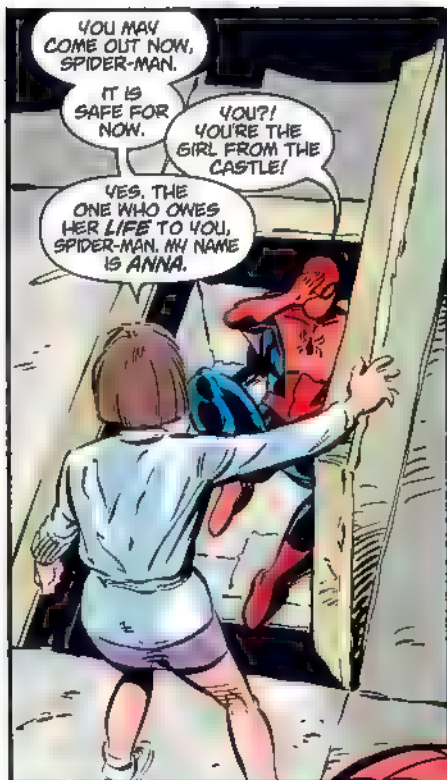
GEEZ!
THESE GUYS ARE
PERSISTENT!



ALL
I'VE GOT
TO ASK
MYSELF
IS...

...HOW
THE HECK
DID I KNOW
THAT WAS A
PSYCHO-NEURAL
NET?



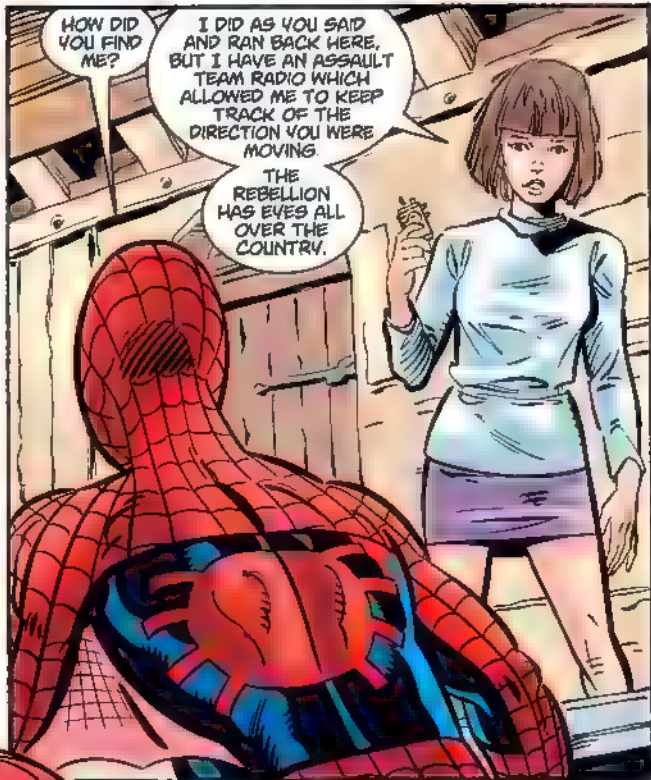


YOU MAY
COME OUT NOW,
SPIDER-MAN.

IT IS
SAFE FOR
NOW.

YOU'RE THE
GIRL FROM THE
CASTLE!

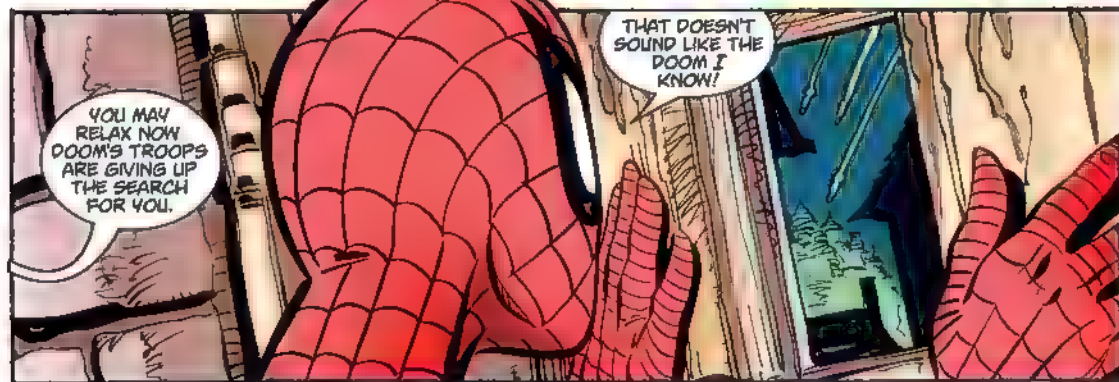
YES, THE
ONE WHO OWNS
HER LIFE TO YOU,
SPIDER-MAN. MY NAME
IS ANNA.



HOW DID
YOU FIND
ME?

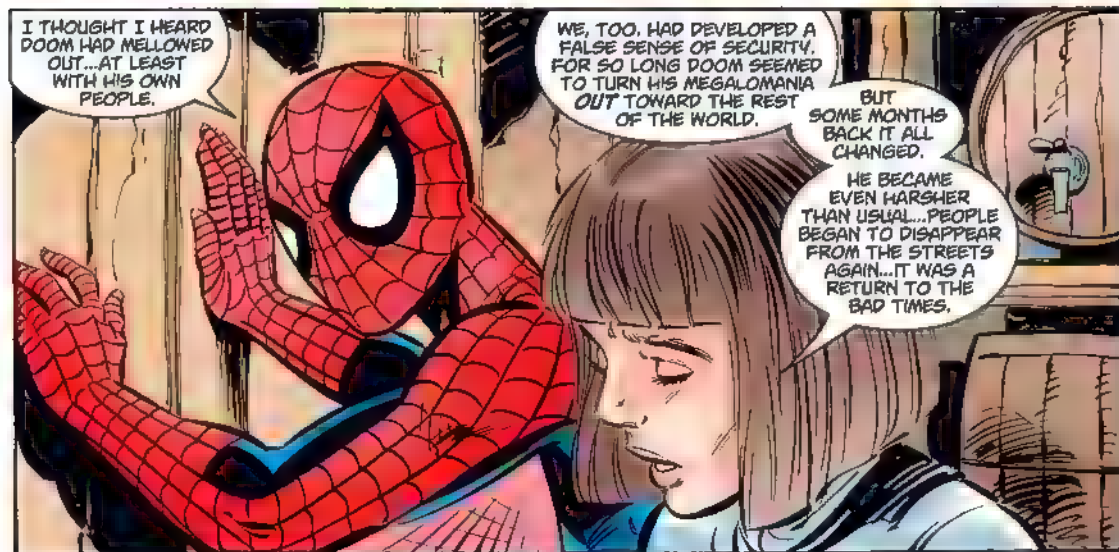
I DID AS YOU SAID
AND RAN BACK HERE,
BUT I HAVE AN ASSAULT
TEAM RADIO WHICH
ALLOWED ME TO KEEP
TRACK OF THE
DIRECTION YOU WERE
MOVING.

THE
REBELLION
HAS EYES ALL
OVER THE COUNTRY.



YOU MAY
RELAX NOW
DOOM'S TROOPS
ARE GIVING UP
THE SEARCH
FOR YOU.

THAT DOESN'T
SOUND LIKE THE
DOOM I
KNOW!

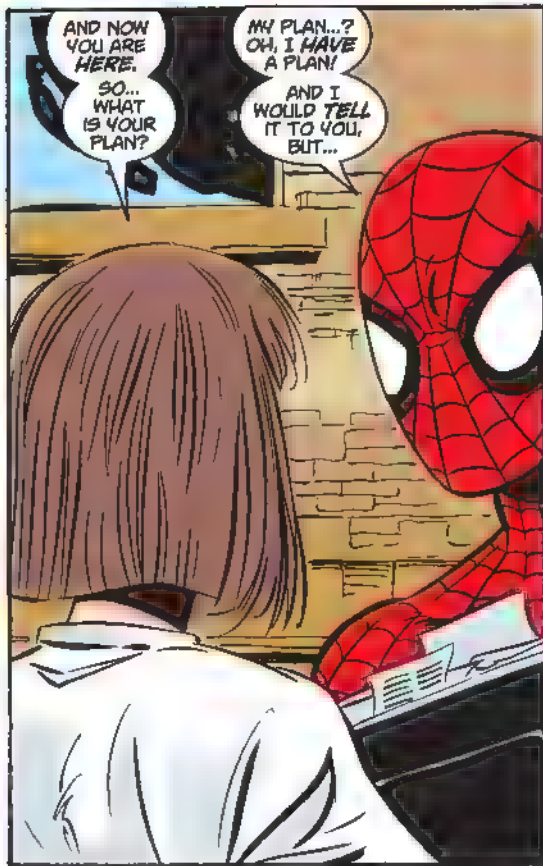
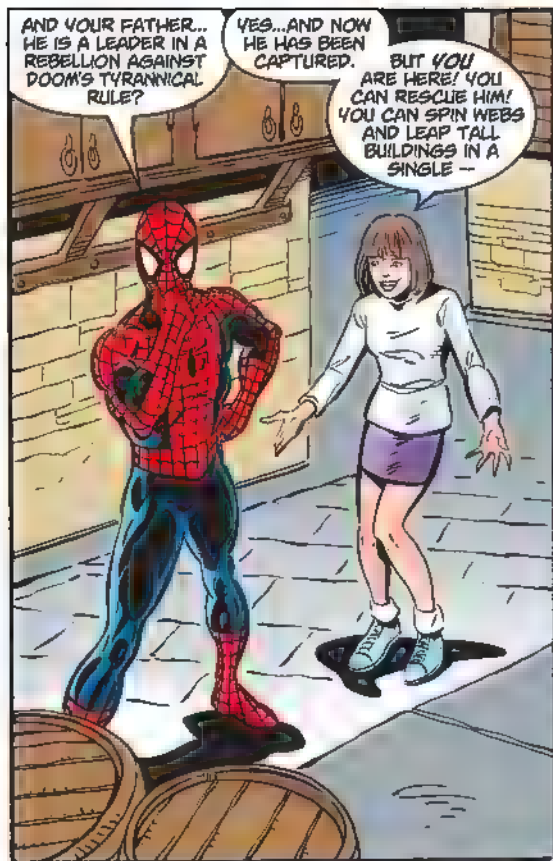


I THOUGHT I HEARD
DOOM HAD MELLOWED
OUT...AT LEAST
WITH HIS OWN
PEOPLE.

WE, TOO, HAD DEVELOPED A
FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY.
FOR SO LONG DOOM SEEMED
TO TURN HIS MEGALOMANIA
OUT TOWARD THE REST
OF THE WORLD.

BUT
SOME MONTHS
BACK IT ALL
CHANGED.

HE BECAME
EVEN HARSHER
THAN USUAL...PEOPLE
BEGAN TO DISAPPEAR
FROM THE STREETS
AGAIN...IT WAS A
RETURN TO THE
BAD TIMES.



A
SHORT TIME
LATER...

A
PLAN?
WHO
HAS TIME
TO COME
UP WITH
PLANS?!

I'M A
SPUR-OF-
THE-MOMENT
KINDA GUY.

I
REACT TO
WHATEVER
LIFE THROWS
MY WAY.

I
BOB AND
WEAVE
AND --

-- SHEESH!
I WISH I HAD
A PLAN!

NOW I'VE GOT TO
BREAK INTO DOOM'S CASTLE,
FIND MY WIFE, FIND ANNA'S
FATHER, ESCAPE WITH ALL
INTACT, LAUNCH A REBELLION,
BECOME THE HERO OF A
NATION AND...

...LIVE
HAPPILY EVER
AFTER!

YEAH...
RIGHT!

ALL THIS
BECAUSE OF
ONE PHONE
CALL.

I HAVE
NO IDEA
WHO IT WAS
FROM.

I HAVE
NO IDEA IF
IT WAS FOR
SPIDER-MAN
OR PETER
PARKER.

IT COULD
BE SOME SORT
OF SICK AND
TWISTED PRANK.
OR...

...NO!
SHE'S ALIVE.
I KNOW IT!
I CAN FEEL
IT!

I'M THE
HERO.

I CAN'T
AFFORD TO
HAVE ANY SELF-
DOUBTS.

I --



FRANKOON

OH...HI,
DOOM!



I WAS JUST
THINKING
ABOUT
YOU!

OKAY...
ACTUALLY
I WASN'T
THINKING
ABOUT YOU,
BUT...

...I WAS
GOING TO
GET AROUND
TO IT!

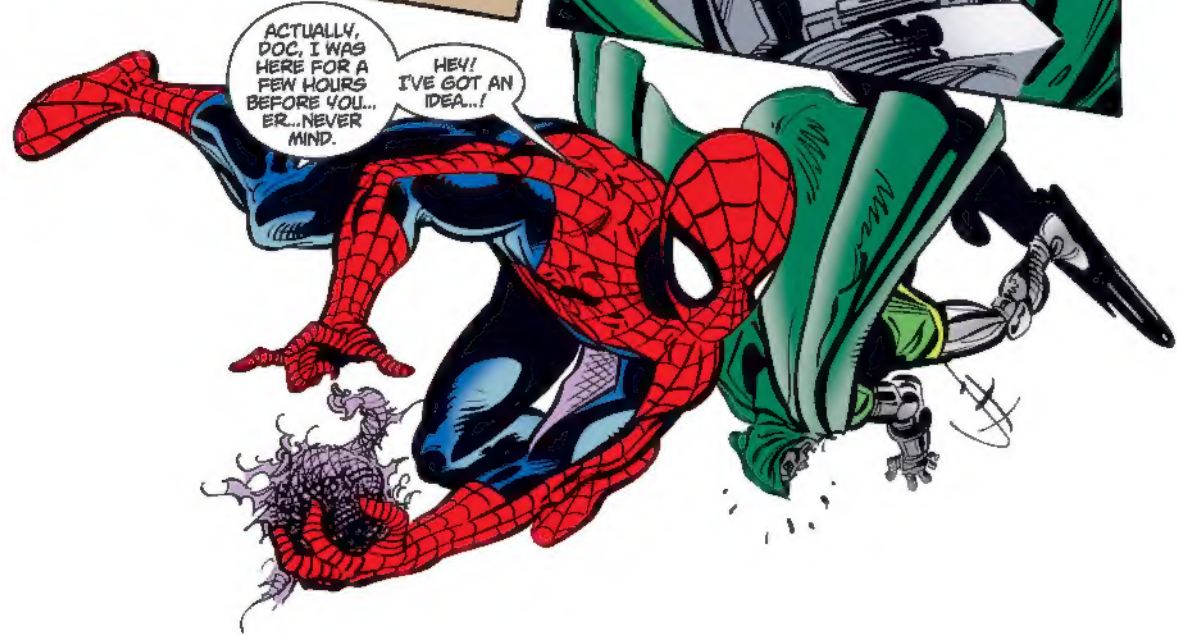


YOU DARE
TO INVAD...
TO INVAD...
MY SOVEREIGN
NATION,
SPIDER-MAN?

DID YOU
THINK I WOULD
NOT BE ALERTED
TO YOUR ARRIVAL
AS SOON AS YOU
CROSSED MY
BORDERS?

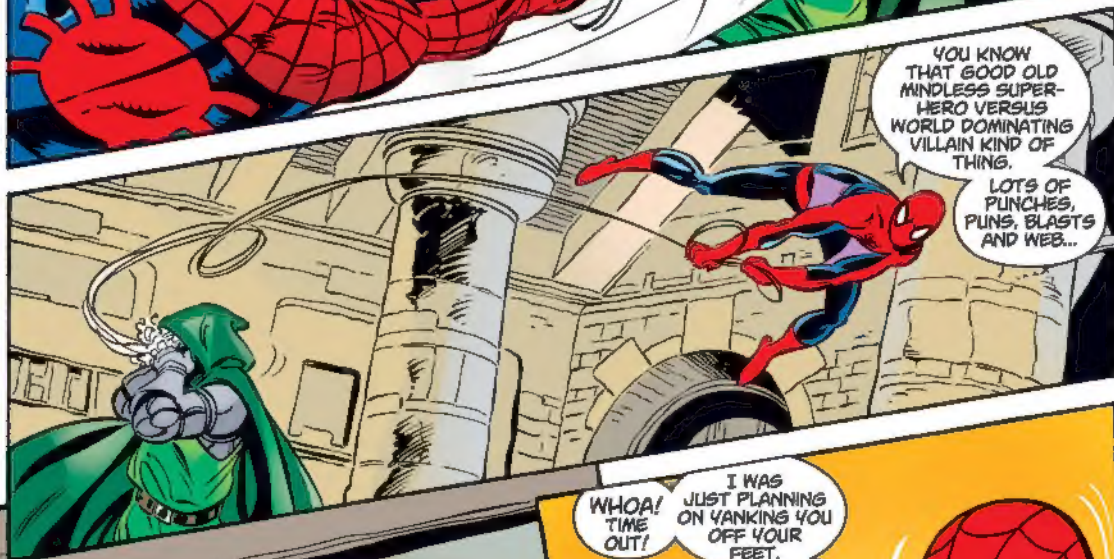
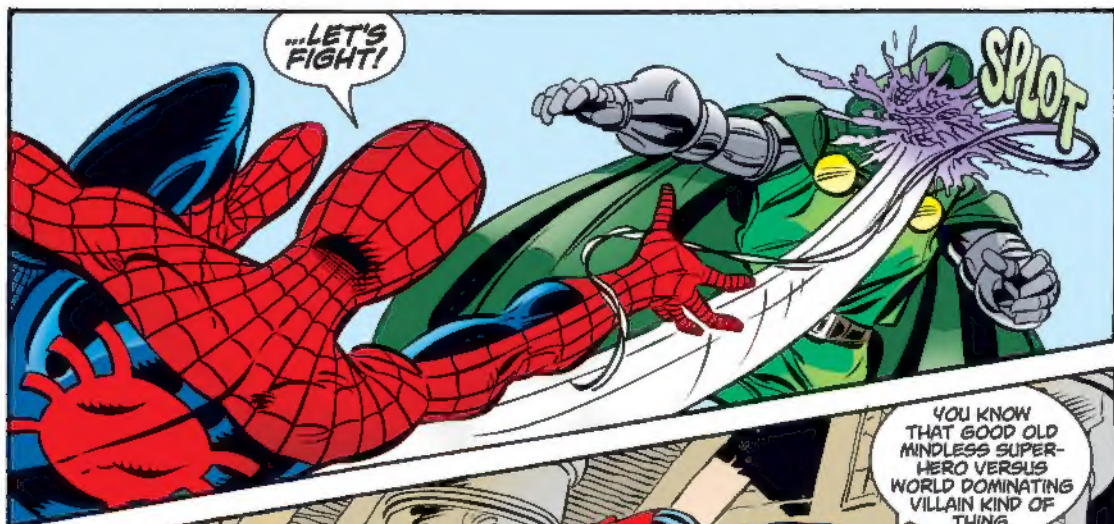
I AM
DOOM! I
KNOW ALL! AND
SOON...

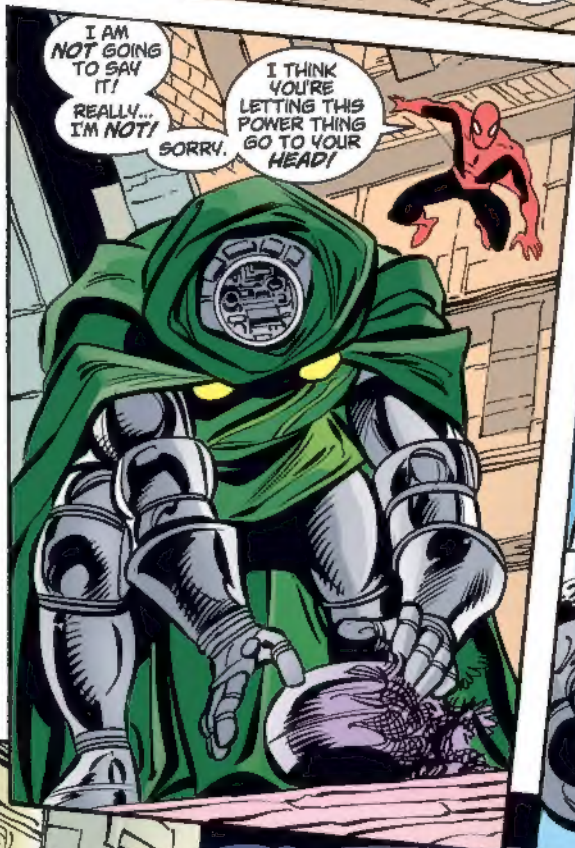
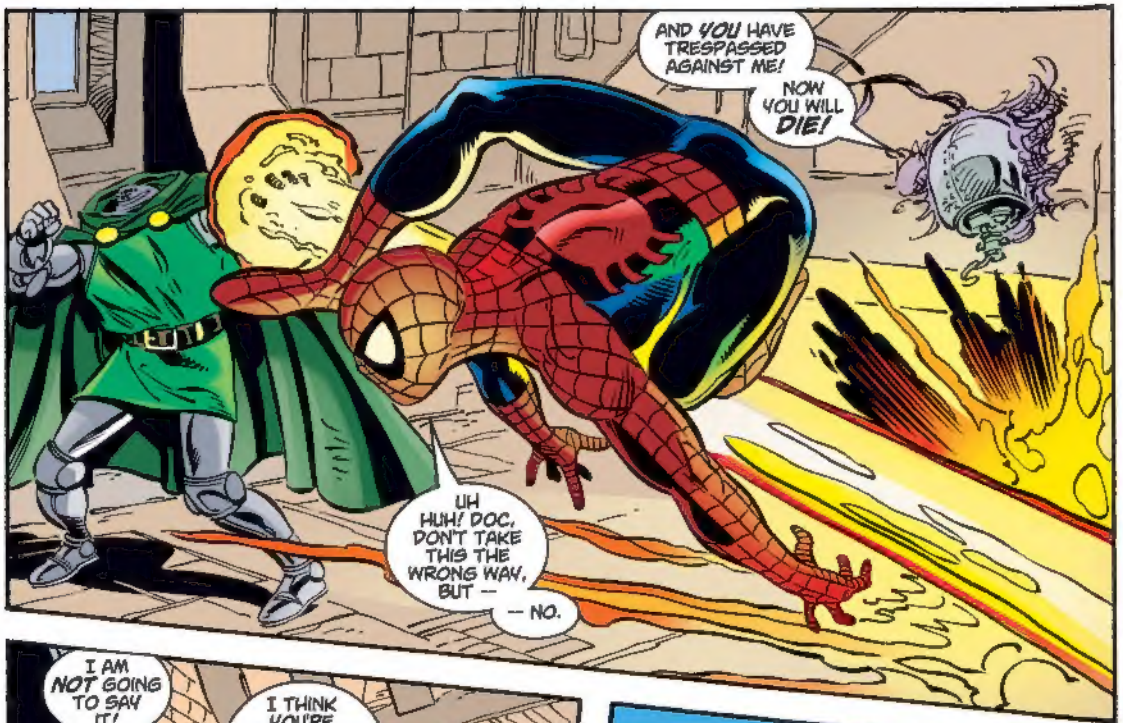
I
WILL RULE
ALL!



ACTUALLY,
DOC, I WAS
HERE FOR A
FEW HOURS
BEFORE YOU...
ER...NEVER
MIND.

HEY!
I'VE GOT AN
IDEA...!





FRZATT



